

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE  
EASTERN DIVISION

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WILLIAM C. ALLEN,

Petitioner,

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Respondent.

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No. 1:22-cv-01138-STA-jay

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ORDER DISMISSING § 2241 PETITION WITHOUT PREJUDICE

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Petitioner William C. Allen has filed a *pro se* habeas corpus petition (the “Petition”) pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2241. (ECF No. 1.) For the following reasons, the Petition is **DISMISSED** without prejudice.

The Petition asserts that the Federal Bureau of Prisons (“BOP”) has failed “to award[] jail time credits” towards Allen’s federal sentence. (*Id.* at 6.) A federal prisoner’s challenge to the calculation of sentencing credits by the BOP is cognizable under 28 U.S.C. § 2241. *See United States v. Dowell*, 16 F. App’x 415, 420 (6th Cir. 2001) (“[A] prisoner may seek judicial review of the computation of [his] credit[s] under 28 U.S.C. § 2241[.]”). However, before proceeding in federal court, the prisoner must “exhaust[] all of his administrative remedies” through the BOP. *Id.*

The Petition, which was filed on this district’s official § 2241 form, indicates “No” to Paragraph 7’s question “Did you . . . file a grievance, or seek an administrative remedy?” (ECF

No. 1 at 2.) The Petition is therefore **DISMISSED** without prejudice for Petitioner's failure to exhaust his administrative remedies.<sup>1</sup>

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**s/ S. Thomas Anderson**  
S. THOMAS ANDERSON  
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Date: August 25, 2022.

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<sup>1</sup> Federal prisoners who file petitions pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2241 need not obtain certificates of appealability under 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c)(1). *Witham v. United States*, 355 F.3d 501, 504 (6th Cir. 2004).